

THE DAILY
SHORT STORY

And Loud Enough

By CORONA REMINGTON.

"It's a well known fact that if you want a thing hard enough you get it," that is hard enough and long enough."

John Winton straightened in his seat and stared at the lecturer. It was the first remark Dr. Jamieson had made that had attracted his attention.

"The magic of wishing," the lecturer went on. "That's what you might call it—for its power is often magical, and I could cite hundreds of cases where the effect has been almost miraculous. Just get the image of the thing you want in your mind and dwell upon it. Think of it frequently and see it clearly and work for it. Make your every aim a stepping stone toward that one goal. Don't get the idea that you have to do it to pray for it; the Lord helps those who help themselves. Combine the two—wishing and working. They're a great team and an equal amount of both will have a far greater effect than three times the amount of one or the other."

"That's all today. Thank you." Amid a short, enthusiastic spate of applause the lecturer left the platform and John Winton slowly worked his way out of the room with the crowd.

"Pretty good lecture, eh, Winton? You know, I believe there's something in that wishing business."

"I'm inclined to think so, too," John answered.

"My kid believes in it anyhow," laughed the other man. "Mrs. Macmillan and I were talking about these lectures the other evening at dinner, and Gladys chimed in and said:

"I know it's true, daddy. If I wish for a thing hard enough and long enough Santa Claus always brings it to me the very next time he comes."

"And loud enough, she might have added," laughed Winton.

"Yes, loud enough. It might not be bad to put that into the requirements. Some folks want a thing they could have for the asking, but they don't know how to ask, and the person who has it doesn't know it's wanted."

Winton gaped at Macmillan.

"I wonder if that isn't my case," he said, after a pause.

"Your case? Phew! You've never wanted a thing in your life. You're the luckiest young chap I ever knew. You've got brains and an education and money and social position. How much more do you want?"

"I'd give it all for one thing that I haven't."

"You won't have to—just wish for it hard enough and long enough and loud enough and you'll get it."

"Do you really believe that?" asked the other man eagerly.

"Sure I do. I've been here longer than you have and I've seen it work too many times."

"They were now on the steps of the building."

"Well, I've certainly wished for it long enough and hard enough," laughed the younger man.

"How long and how hard?"

"Harder than I ever wished for anything in my whole life and every day for nearly three years."

"It must be a case of loud enough then."

"I know it wouldn't do any good," the other replied dolefully.

"No harm in trying," his friend answered hopefully. "Well, so long—see you at the club tonight!"

"Fraid not. I have an engagement."

And loud enough. The words rang in John's ears all the afternoon. But what earthly use was there in being loud when you knew it was no good? Hadn't Alice Moore as good as told him a thousand times she was in love with Bob Caldwell? Wasn't she always and forever showing him the lovely things Bob was endlessly sending her? And didn't she rave over all he did and said? Why humiliate oneself unnecessarily? Who wanted to be thrown down, anyway? If only she had given him one tiny atom of encouragement, but instead—

Loud enough. The idea floated through his mind again. He certainly had not been very loud about it. Just to disprove the theory he would be. What if he did get humiliated? He could stand it and no one would ever know except Alice. She certainly was not the kind of girl to boast about her proposals.

As he walked up the front steps of the Moore home that night his mind was way beneath

the intrusive servant evidently noticed nothing as he took his hat and gloves and showed him into the library. In a moment Alice would be there. In another moment he would be telling her—in another, she would be turning him down gently but firmly. He must do it the second she came in or he would lose all courage.

John Winton was not a professional proposer. In fact, he'd never tried it before in his life and he had no idea how a fellow went about it, but he had mapped out a plan that he intended following strictly. He would plead his cause eloquently and fluently and would then take her in his arms and ask her to be his wife.

But he evidently got his order of procedure mixed, for at the first sight of her he took her in his arms and muttered and stammered something about love and marriage. To his utter surprise she made no effort to free herself, but hid her face on his shoulder and slipped two timid arms around his neck.

When the first heavenly moments were over, they seated themselves on the Chesterfield beside the roaring lamp. It felt very homely, and for a moment they imagined they were in their own home sitting on a sofa together.

"Do you know," said Alice after a while, "I heard a wonderful lecture this afternoon by a Dr. Jamieson and he said that you could get anything you wanted if you wished for it hard enough, and long enough

VOTING ON NEXT
MEETING PLACEOperators and Miners' Next
Conference May Be Shifted
to Cleveland.

A referendum vote is being taken among the representatives of the various coal associations and miners' officials in reference to changing the place of meeting from Chicago to Cleveland on January 3. The hotels of Chicago will be crowded on that date due to the national convention of shoe dealers.

In a letter issued by William Green, Indianapolis, secretary of the conference, asks the various authorized representatives whether they will authorize Phil Penna, Terre Haute, Ind., the chairman of the conference, to make the shift in the meeting place. It is now proposed to meet at the Cleveland hotel.

It is understood that C. H. Jenkins, representing the Northern West Virginia Coal Operators' Association, and W. E. Watson, representing the Monongahela Coal Association, have approved the change in meeting place.

Market improves. With the car shortage continuing daily and production easing with the approach of the holidays, the coal price levels have mounted again during the past few days. It was reported that mine-run on the Monongahela Railway reached the \$3 mark yesterday. The B. & O. prices were just a trifle lower. Slack and lump have strengthened some also, but not as much accordingly as mine run.

Personal Mention. Robert E. Rightmire, engineer of tests, Consolidation Coal Co., is in Detroit.

A. Dean Showalter, connected with the Diamond Coal Co., left yesterday afternoon for his former home in Denver, Colo., where he will spend Christmas with his parents. His father, P. H. Showalter, who attended the funeral of his parents at Smithfield, Pa., last week, returned to Denver on Sunday night. Mr. Showalter accompanied his aunt, Mrs. Ford B. Rogers, to Kansas City, Mo., from which place he will go to Denver. He will return here during the early part of January.

Howard W. Showalter, president of the Diamond Coal Co., has been confined to his home for several days with grip.

Coke Loading.

Sixty-three cars of coke were produced Tuesday in Northern West Virginia. Of that forty-one cars were loaded on the Monongahela Division, seven cars on the Charleston Division, one on the Connellsville Division, three on the Cumberland Division and eleven on the M. & K. All coke was shipped east excepting sixteen cars which went off the Monongahela Division in that direction.

Eastern Loading.

Coal shipments to the east continued to predominate, and seven of the nine divisions loaded 565 cars of commercial coal in that direction Tuesday, while the loading to the west was confined to 153 cars.

Off the Monongahela Division there were 774 cars loaded on Tuesday; off the Charleston Division, 30 cars; off the Connellsville Division, 10 cars; off the Cumberland Division, 44 cars; off the M. & K. 61 cars; off the W. & H. R. 41 cars; off the B. & W. 29 cars.

Western loading off the various divisions consists of 115 cars off the Monongahela Division, 28 cars off the Charleston Division and 10 cars off the B. & W.

Nearly 20 times as many volunteer officers were disabled in the World War as regular army officers.

—and I believe it's true. I—I wished for something terribly hard and I got it today."

John held her closer and kissed the soft brown hair.

"But you must always be sure to wish loud enough, too, dear," he laughed.

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Home-made, but Has No Equal for Coughs

Makes a family remedy of really dependable cough medicine. Easily prepared, and saves about \$1.

If you have a severe cough or chest cold accompanied with soreness, throat tickle, hoarseness, or difficulty breathing, or if your child wakes up during the night with a cough and you want quick help, try this reliable old home-made cough remedy. Any drug can supply you with 3 1/2 ounces of Pinex. Pour this into a pint bottle and fill the bottle with plain granulated sugar syrup. Or you may use clarified molasses, honey, or corn syrup, instead of sugar syrup, if desired. This recipe makes a pint of really remarkable cough remedy. It tastes good, and in spite of its low cost, it can be depended upon to give quick and lasting relief.

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ADVENTURES OF THE TWINS

By OLIVE ROBERTS BARTON.



A figure popped up and out of the chimney.

When a little boy or girl writes a note to Santa Claus and puts it up the chimney (or lays it out on the window-sill when he hasn't a chimney) why, that's all there is to it—for him or for her.

They have nothing more to worry about after they put the pen and ink and note paper away. But that isn't all there is to it by any means—no indeed!

Somebody has to collect those notes and take them safely to Santa Claus. Sometimes the winter birds and chimney-swifts get them and carry them to the North Pole; sometimes the Fairy Queen's helpers, Silver Wing and Nimble Toes and Twinkle Pen and Flippety Flop get them; and sometimes it's somebody else like Nancy and Nick in their magical Green Shoes.

But that's not all! There are naughty little fairies sometimes, like Tweekanose for instance (the little gnome that wakens the babies) who love to make trouble—steal the notes, mix 'em up, change

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TO SENTENCE SPEEDERS. MOBILE, Ala., Dec. 20.—Jail sentences for speeders and reckless drivers of automobiles were advised today by the city commission when an ordinance was adopted giving the police court magistrate that power the limited to the jail sentences is six months in addition to a fine.

Mrs. Li, wife of the President of China, demands an allowance of \$50,000 a year for the purchase of perfumes.

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NOW WHY YOUR CRYING—I WANT YOU TO BE HAPPY AND I WANTED TO SURPRISE YOU!

TOM I'M SORRY I DID THAT BUT I DIDN'T KNOW WHAT YOU WERE DOING—THE HOUSE IS WONDERFUL—I CAN HARDLY BELIEVE IT AND YOU DID IT ALL FOR ME AND MY CHRISTMAS!

WELL, WHY SHOULDN'T I WHEN YOU'RE THE FINEST GIRL IN THE WORLD!

TOM, YOU MAKE ME THE HAPPIEST GIRL IN THE WORLD THE WHOLE WORLD! BOOO—HOOO—BOOO

NO CHANGE MADE
IN POLISH CABINETNew President Refuses to Accept
Resignation of Premier Sikorski.

WARSAW, Dec. 21.—(By the Associated Press)—General Sikorski, who took over the premier ship after the assassination of President Gabriel Narutowicz, presented his resignation today to President Stanislas Wojciechowski, Poland's new chief executive, in conformity with constitutional practice. The new president refused to accept the resignation and General Sikorski's cabinet remained in power.

President Wojciechowski, in his first message to the Polish nation, pleaded for union, harmony and peace between the various parties.

He stigmatizes the assassination of his predecessor as an act of political hatred and calls upon the nation to follow the strength of its traditions. He promised liberty and justice to all who are faithful to the constitution.

MORE MURDERS

NEWARK, N. J., Dec. 21.—More than three times as many murders occurred in America's twenty-eight largest cities last year than twenty years ago. The rate per 100,000 population was 9.3, highest in history, as compared to 3.5 the previous year.

These figures are announced by Dr. Frederick L. Hoffman, consulting statistician of the Prudential Life Insurance Co.

Seventeen of the twenty-eight cities show an increase in murder, he says. Memphis still leads, with a murder rate of 66.8.

Casserole of Lamb

By BERTHA E. SHAPLEIGH

Or Columbia University

2 lbs. fore quarter lamb

3 tablespoons bacon fat or dripping

4 tablespoons flour

2 cups stock or 1 cup water

1 cup tomato

1/2 cup carrot strips

13 small onions

1/2 cup turnip cubes

1 1/2 teaspoons salt

1/2 teaspoon pepper

Wipe and cut the lean part of the lamb from fat and bone.

Place bones in 2 cups cold water and cook as long a time as possible.

This is the liquid called "stock" in the above recipe.

Cut the lean meat in small pieces and fry until brown in the fat.

Place the fried meat in a casserole. To fat remains in pan, add flour and brown; then add stock and cook until smooth and thickened; strain over the meat in casserole.

Parboil for 10 minutes the carrot, turnip and onions. Add to

casserole, season with salt and pepper, cover and cook in oven one hour. Serve in casserole.

ACTION POSTPONED.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—House Republican leaders decided today to postpone further consideration of the Green resolution for an amendment to the Constitution, prohibiting issuance of tax exempt securities, urged by President Harding and Secretary Mellon of the Treasury Department.

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Sweaters—A Possibility for Christmas Gifts Since They've Become All-Year Garments

A slipover or tuxedo style sweater in knitted or brushed wool would be very acceptable to almost any woman. Holiday displays embrace unique models in rich color combinations. Prices are \$2.95 upward.

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Mr. Man can choose furs with confidence in the goodness of quality and correctness of fashioning. Osgood's furs have always carried the reputation for utmost value and the Holiday displays will instantly convey that impression to any shopper—even to Mr. Man who may not know a great deal about furs. Fur Coats and Scarfs and Cloaks are numbered among the most popular gifts men will give his wife, mother or sister. Osgood's prices are the most reasonable in Fairmont.

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SILK Underwear is such a sensible and receptable thing to give an intimate friend. And Osgood's Silk Underwear, bearing the labels of Vantine, Ideal and Irene (all very fine makes) is certain to prove doubly pleasing because of its long-wearing quality. We've an abundant stock this Christmas season. The displays are full of suggestions for novel giving. One need not be restricted to the commonplace, either, for Silk Undergarments may be had in white, peach and orchid as well as the ever-popular flesh color. Here's a thought—Silk Underwear can be very easily sent by mail because it is so easily packed and unbreakable.

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